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The Senate met at 9:31 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious Lord of this Senate, we firmly believe that it is by Your choice and providence that we are here, called to serve You and our Nation together.

Today, we thank You for the strategic role of the Secretary of the Senate. Our lives and the ongoing work of the Senate have been deeply enriched and immensely enabled by the effective leadership of Sheila Burke. Thank You for her commitment to excellence and her loyalty and faithfulness to Senator DOLE and the ongoing work of the Senate.

Now Lord, we ask Your blessing on Kelly Johnston as he is installed as the new Secretary. We thank You for his talents, experience, and gifts that prepare him for this challenging responsibility. We gratefully affirm his commitment to You, and the forward movement of the process of shaping the future of America through the deliberations of this Senate. As he is installed may he experience a fresh anointing of the strength of Your spirit and a renewed assurance of the esteem of the Senators, officers, and all the staffs that make up the Senate family. Thank You Lord for the privilege of working for You, working for our beloved Nation and working together in unity. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ELECTING KELLY D. JOHNSTON AS SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I send a resolution to the desk electing Kelly Johnston Secretary of the Senate and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 129) to elect Kelly D. Johnston as Secretary of the Senate.

Resolved, That Kelly D. Johnston, of Oklahoma, be, and he hereby is, elected Secretary of the Senate beginning June 8, 1995.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection to proceeding to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the resolution is agreed to.

So the resolution (S. Res. 129) was agreed to.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Secretary of the Senate will be escorted to the desk for the oath of office.

The Honorable Kelly D. Johnston, escorted by the Honorable Sheila Burke, advanced to the desk of the President pro tempore; the oath prescribed by law was administered to him by the President pro tempore.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. You are now Secretary of the Senate.

[Applause, Senators rising.]

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, one, I wish to congratulate Kelly Johnston for now being named and appointed Secretary of the Senate.

I have had the privilege of knowing Kelly Johnston for several years. He is an outstanding individual. I have had, indeed, the honor of having him be the executive director of the Republican Policy Committee for the last 3 years, where he did an outstanding job in serving all Republican Senators.

Now as Secretary of the Senate, I am confident he will do an outstanding job serving the entire family of the Senate.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure not only to recommend Kelly Johnston for this position, but to see that he is now Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. President, I also acknowledge that his family is here, most of whom are from Oklahoma. We are delighted to have them join us as well, his wife Adrienne and his parents. They, indeed, I know, are very, very proud of Kelly Johnston for his service and for his selection for this position.

I would also like to compliment Sheila Burke for her service as Secretary of the Senate and also as chief of staff to the majority leader. She had two very big jobs and she has carried them out exceptionally well, and I compliment her.

PROVIDING FOR NOTIFICATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF THE ELECTION OF SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I send a resolution to the desk notifying the President of the election of Kelly Johnston as Secretary of the Senate and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. GREGG). The resolution will be stated by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

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